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In re	
DISTRIBUTION OF CABLE ROYALTY FUNDS	CONSOLIDATED PROCEEDING NO. 14-CRB-0010-CD (2010-13)
In re DISTRIBUTION OF SATELLITE ROYALTY FUNDS	CONSOLIDATED PROCEEDING NO. 14-CRB-0011-SD (2010-13)

## ORDER CONSOLIDATING PROCEEDINGS AND REINSTATING CASE SCHEDULE

On July 21, 2016, the Copyright Royalty Judges (Judges) issued a case schedule for the captioned satellite royalty proceeding that designated dates for events in the allocation phase as "to be determined". On the same date, the Judges issued a similar order in the companion proceeding regarding cable royalties (Cable Proceeding) for the same years<sup>1</sup>, but which included dates for events in the allocation phase, including a hearing date on allocation issues.

On August 11, 2106, the Judges suspended distribution phase discovery in both proceedings, but in doing so, they established related deadlines without dates certain, which dates could be calculated once the date of ruling on claims issues was known.

On October 23, 2017, the Judges issued a Claims Ruling resolving disputes regarding the allowance and categorization of cable and satellite claims for the years at issue (Claims Ruling).<sup>2</sup> Concurrently with the Claims Ruling, the Judges issued a revised Case Schedule for the Cable Proceeding which included the now-calculable deadlines regarding distribution issues.

According to the schedule in the Cable Proceeding, the Judges will commence a hearing on cable allocation issues on February 5, 2018. The Judges anticipate issuing a determination of cable allocation issues on or before June 30, 2018. The scheduling order in the Cable Proceeding requires participants to move forward with litigation of distribution issues even while the Judges conduct deliberations on the allocation issues.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In re Distribution of Cable Royalty Funds, CONSOLIDATED PROCEEDING NO. 14-CRB-0010-CD (2010-13)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Participants in the Cable Proceeding included papers covering disputes relating to claims they assert in the captioned satellite proceeding.

In the interest of judicial economy, the Judges determine that issues relating to distribution methodologies for both cable claims and satellite claims shall be litigated in a consolidated proceeding.

The Judges hereby **CONSOLIDATE** the cable and satellite proceedings covering royalty deposits for broadcast years 2010 through 2013. From and after the date of this Order, Participants must file pleadings in the consolidated proceeding with the following caption.

In re DISTRIBUTION OF CABLE ROYALTY FUNDS	CONSOLIDATED DOCKET NO.
In re DISTRIBUTION OF SATELLITE ROYALTY FUNDS	14-CRB-0010-CD/SD (2010-13)

Participants in the consolidated proceeding must follow the case schedule appended to the Claims Ruling, reproduced as Appendix A to this Order.

The Judges expressly do not issue a case schedule relating to allocation of satellite royalties among claimant categories; rather, the Judges **ORDER** that within ten days after the Judges issue the allocation determination relating to cable royalty claims for the year 2010-13, participants in the present captioned satellite proceeding file with the Judges a Joint Notice of all issues in controversy regarding satellite royalty allocation among claimant categories (using the new caption). The Joint Notice must propose a litigation schedule, including without limitation statutorily mandated filing deadlines, agreed discovery periods, and a date for the required Joint Settlement Conference Report.

SO ORDERED.

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Suzanne M. Barnett Chief Copyright Royalty Judge

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DATED: December 15, 2017.

## Appendix A

## Revised Distribution Case Schedule Consolidated Docket No. 14-CRB-0010-CD/SD (2010-13)

Case Event	Date
CABLE Allocation Phase	
Hearing Commences	February 5, 2018
Determination re allocation issues	NTE June 30, 2018
Consolidated Distribution Phase	
Ruling on Claims Issues	October 23, 2017
Deadline for Written Direct Statements re Distribution Methodologies (WDS-D); Commence Discovery re WDS-D	December 22 2017
End discovery re WDS-D	February 22, 2018
Deadline for AWDS-D	March 9, 2018
Joint settlement conference period	April 2-23, 2018
Joint Settlement Conference Report	April 27, 2018
If Distribution Issues Not Settled	
Deadline for Written Rebuttal Statements re Distribution Methodologies (WRS-D) <sup>3</sup>	July 2, 2018
Hearing Commences	August 13, 2018
Determination re distribution issues	NTE March 26, 2019

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Judges may, in their discretion, order rebuttal discovery on motion of a party or parties and for good cause shown.